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In the course of the evacuation of scientists from Germany by the U.S. Army in August, Dr. habil. Alfred Böse von Wachsmuth, member of the Sonderauftragstell für Metalle Schmalkalden, myself and our three children were brought to Heidenheim.

At the transit camp Police-school Weissenheim we got private transportation to Herrenberg. After three days my husband was brought back to Schmalkalden by an automatic arrest (he had been an Oberbeamter of the Sonderauftragstell). At Weissenheim he had to stay in the camp until it was taken up to its dissolution. On 20 June 1946 he was transported with four colleagues to the Interner Kriegsgefangenenlager

Ludwigsburg. Due to an old and dangerous disease of his lungs my husband was put under permanent medical control already in the Frühlingsgarten. In view of the danger of a repetition of his tuberculosis he got a very small quantity of victuals in addition. At Ludwigsburg he was transported into the camp hospital at once for the same reason. Moreover, who not to be calculated for the next time, he was sent to the Interner Hospital Karlsruhe on 9 September 1946.

On 10 December 1946 my husband received the notice from one of my husband's colleagues at Karlsruhe, that my husband had been carried off by Dutch officers. He was not told the reason of the transport or the place. Only by the question which the Dutch officer asked to my husband, if Professor F. E. A. van was known to him, did I learn that there must be a connection between his transportation after scientific work in Holland, carried on under the "Reichsvereinigung Deutscher Wissenschaftler", where he worked together with Prof. Dr. H. G. Krampe.

After a period of waiting without any knowledge of my husband's whereabouts, his first writing on 10 December 1946, informed me that he had been brought from Karlsruhe via Niesbaden (Wartburg) into the prison camp in Holland.

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There he is living together with Professor Baau and a Dutchman in the same prison-cell.

Hitherto they got no warrant of arrest nor were they told another reason of their imprisonment. No examination took place up to this time. The instruction of a lawyer to defend their case was also refused. All attempts concerning this matter failed till now.

According to my husband's statement, n° 1-1-1, Elandsgracht 117, Amsterdam, is competent for all legal informations about him.

According to the experiences of others my husband supposes that months will pass before an examination of the case will be made. But the present state of imprisonment should be limited to a time as short as possible to avoid a lasting and incurable set-back of his illness of the lungs.

He therefore asks to make the attempt to obtain the legal representation of his case from here, with the intention to get a rapid expedition of his affair.

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